

Toronto Union Station Fifth Façade Conservation Roofscape and Skylights

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Introduction



Roofscape and Skylights Conservation

- Presenters
- Scope of Work
- Focus of Talk
- Other Examples





Union Station Introduction **presenters**



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Union Station Introduction SCOPE of work

Fifth Façade, West Wing & Centre Block (East Wing current):

- Copper Roofs;
- Flat Roofs;
- Skylights;
- Copper Roof-top Enclosures;
- Roof Penetrations and Drainage;
- Mechanical/Electrical Systems;
- Building Maintenance & Safety.

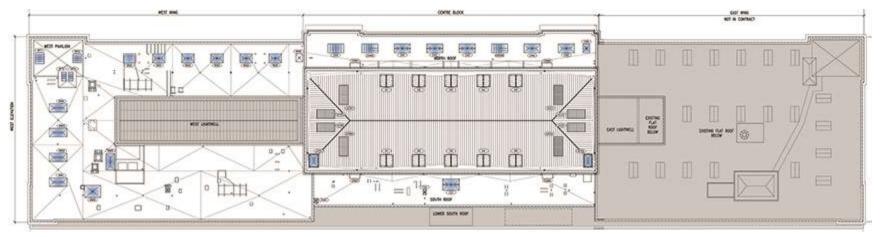




Union Station Introduction focus of talk

Skylights: 29 in total:

- Served as natural light to the 4th floor;
- Mid-level roof construction blocked exterior walls at 4th floor level;
- Laylite at interior ceiling levels diffused the natural light into the office spaces.







Existing Conditions



Conservation Approach: Rehabilitation

- Summary
- Sub-structure
- Metal Cladding
- Glass







- Extensive oxidization, wear and tear of exposed copper surfaces;
- Cap flashings, glass stops and soldered connections have failed;
- Mild steel sub-frame system extensively corroded and damaged;
- Extensive damage of glass units;
- Some deterioration of masonry parapet walls and curbs;
- Skylights structural integrity is compromised.



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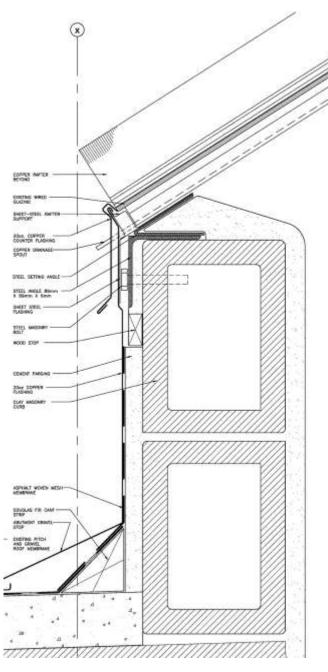








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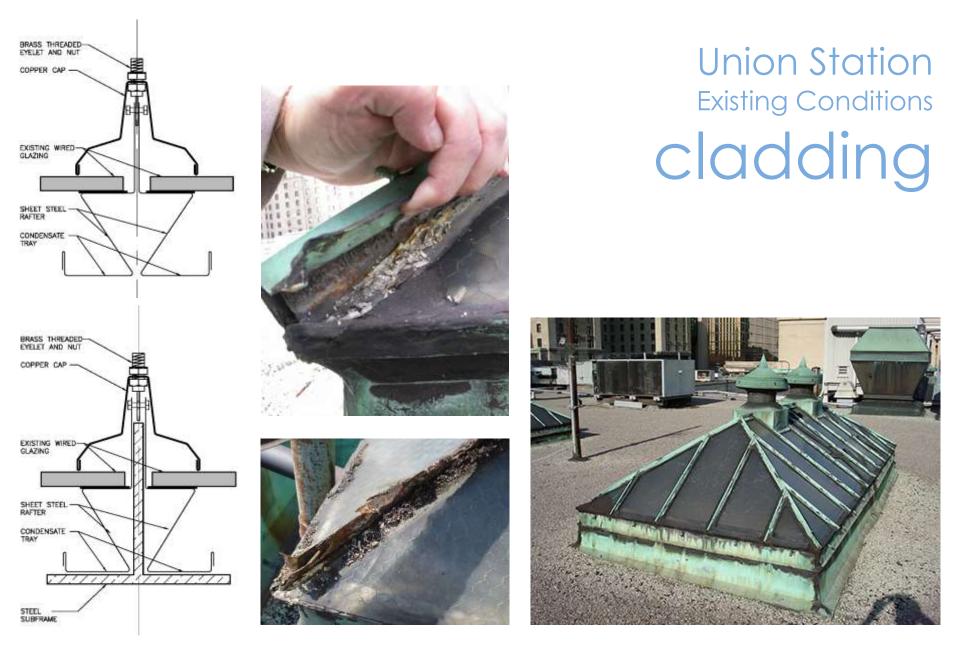




















Union Station Existing Conditions





Interventions

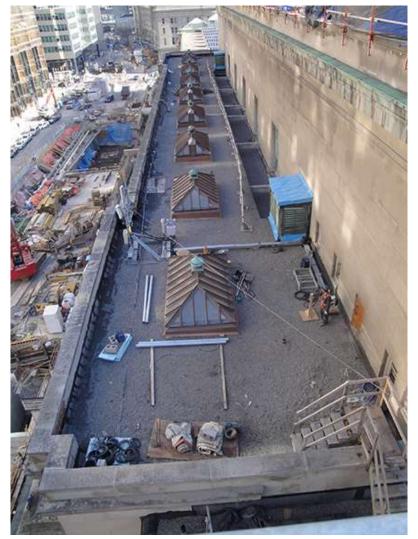


Proposed Rehabilitation

- Summary
- Envelope System
- Structure
- Cladding & Condensation Control
- Glass Retrofit







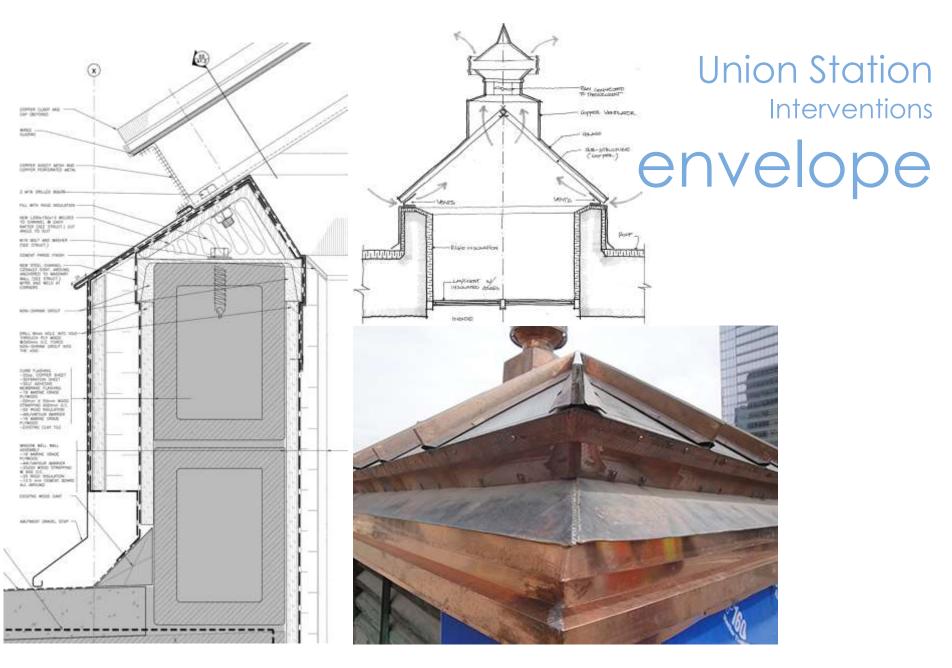
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summary

- Complete replacement-in-kind of all skylights including metal sub-frames as all are deemed beyond repair or restoration;
- New skylights over existing capped openings;
- Salvage original glass for re-use where possible;
- Salvage original ventilator finials for re-use where possible;
- Improved ventilation and weather tightness of original design;
- Repair masonry parapet walls and curbs.

















Union Station Interventions cladding



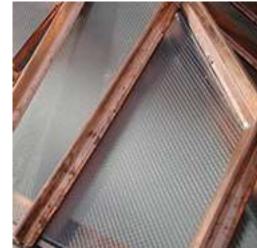












Union Station Interventions **glass**









Fabrication



Construction and Installation

- Shop Issues
- Installation
- Mock-up Final











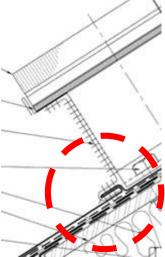
Union Station Fabrication Shop issues

- Base frame and pads;
- Structural welds and lateral stability;
- Copper cladding joinery;
- Copper cap holdowns;
- Vent screens;
- Glass reclamation.

















Union Station Fabrication installation









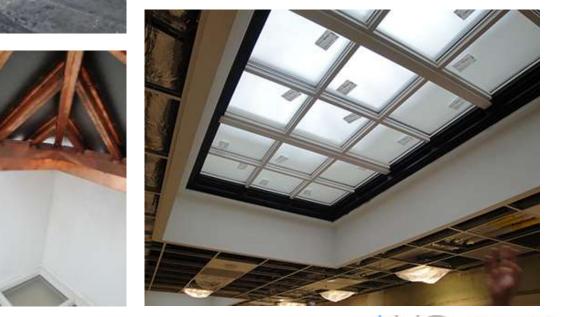


Union Station Fabrication mock-up

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